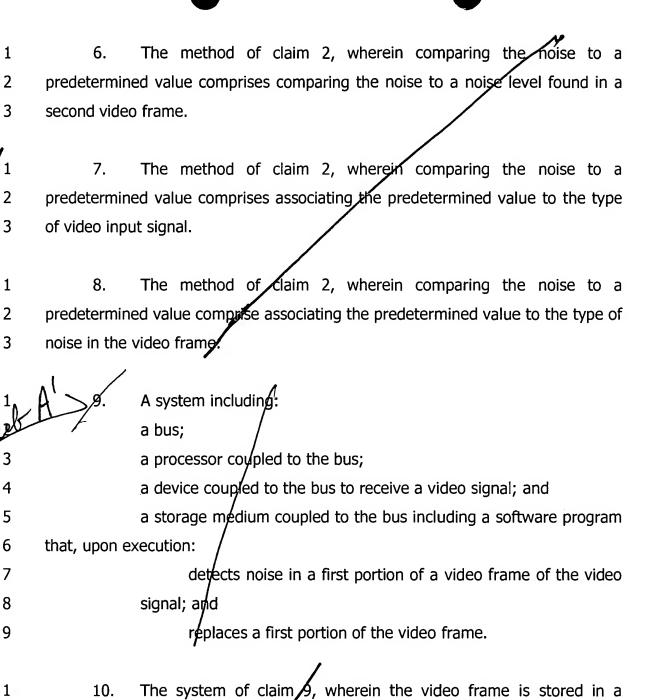What is claimed is:

1.   A method comprising:

receiving a video frame;

identifying noise in a first portion of the video frame; and

replacing the first portion with a second portion of the video frame.

2.   The method of claim 1, wherein identifying further comprises:

associating a noise level with the first portion of the video frame; and

comparing the noise level to a predetermined value.

3.   The method of claim 2, wherein associating further comprises distinguishing the first portion from the second portion.

4.   The method of claim 3, wherein distinguishing further comprises:

associating a first value with the first portion;

associating a second value with the second portion; and

performing a plurality of arithmetic operations between the first value and the second value.

5.   The method of claim 4, wherein associating a first value with the first portion further comprises:

identifying a plurality of values associated with the first portion; and

performing an arithmetic operation on the plurality of values to render the first value.

1   6.   The method of claim 2, wherein comparing the noise to a
2   predetermined value comprises comparing the noise to a noise level found in a
3   second video frame.

1   7.   The method of claim 2, wherein comparing the noise to a
2   predetermined value comprises associating the predetermined value to the type
3   of video input signal.

1   8.   The method of claim 2, wherein comparing the noise to a
2   predetermined value comprise associating the predetermined value to the type of
3   noise in the video frame.

1   9.   A system including:
2   a bus;
3   a processor coupled to the bus;
4   a device coupled to the bus to receive a video signal; and
5   a storage medium coupled to the bus including a software program
6   that, upon execution:
7   detects noise in a first portion of a video frame of the video
8   signal; and
9   replaces a first portion of the video frame.

1   10.   The system of claim 9, wherein the video frame is stored in a
2   memory and, upon execution, the software program writes to the memory to
3   replace the first portion of the video frame.

1   11.   The system of claim 10, wherein, upon execution, the software
2   program further detects noise by comparing a noise level associated with the
3   first portion of the video frame with a predetermined value.

1   12.   The system of claim 11, wherein the predetermined value is stored
2   in the memory.

1   13.   The system of claim 12, wherein the predetermined value is related
2   to a noise level found in a second video frame.

1   14.   The system of claim 10, wherein the predetermined value is
2   related to the type of video signal.

1   15.   The system of claim 9, wherein the storage medium is a hard disk
2   drive.

1   16.   An article comprising a medium storing instructions that cause a
2   processor-based system to:
3   locate a video frame of a video signal;
4   identify noise in a first portion of the video frame; and
5   replace the first portion with a second portion of the video frame.

1   17.   The article of claim 16, further storing instructions that cause the
2   processor-based system to locate the video frame by reading a memory device.

1   18.   The article of claim 17, further storing instructions that cause the
2   processor-based system to:
3   associate a noise level with the first portion of the video frame; and

4   compare the noise level to a predetermined value.

1   19.   The article of claim 18, further storing instructions that cause the

2   processor-based system to:

3   associate a first value with the first portion;

4   associate a second value with the second portion; and

5   perform a plurality of arithmetic operations between the first value

6   and the second value.

1   20.   The article of claim 19, further storing instructions that cause the

2   processor-based system to:

3   identify a plurality of values associated with the first portion; and

4   perform an arithmetic operation on the plurality of values to render

5   the first value.

1   21.   The article of claim 18, further storing instructions that cause the

2   processor-based system to compare the noise level to a predetermined value by

3   associating the predetermined value with a noise level found in a second video

4   frame.

5   22.   The article of claim 16, wherein the medium storing instructions is

6   a memory device.

1   23.   The article of claim 18, further storing instructions that cause the

2   processor-based system to compare the noise level to a predetermined value by

3   associating the predetermined value to the type of video signal.

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1   24.   The article of claim 18, further storing instructions that cause the

2   processor-based system to compare the noise level to a predetermined value by

3   associating the predetermined value to the type of noise in the video frame.